# KENTUCKY BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS MEETING MINUTES

**December 7, 2015** 

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held at the Office of Occupations and Professions on December 7, 2015.

MEMBERS PRESENT OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Larry R. Rhodes, Chair Lucie Duvall, Board Administrator

Gil Cumbee Marsha Meyer

Stephen Wyatt OTHERS

Jerry Weisenfluh Michael Head, Office of the Attorney General

Donald Lumm, President of AIPG

#### CALL TO ORDER

Larry R. Rhodes, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

## **MINUTES**

A motion was made by Gil Cumbee to approve the minutes from the October 5, 2015 meeting, as presented. Motion, seconded by Marsha Meyer, carried.

#### REPORT FROM O&P

The Board reviewed the December 2015 Occupations & Professions report. The report included information on payment for board member travel, itemized hotel bills, administrative services provided by O&P, office hours for O&P during the holidays, and a note from the previous Executive Director, Gordon Slone announcing his retirement. No further action was required.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statement for the month ending November 30, 2015 was presented to the Board for review. The Board acknowledged the financial statement as presented and requested a report for review at their next scheduled meeting which showed the Board's revenue and expenditures for the last five (5) years. No further action was required.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The board reviewed correspondence regarding Joseph Islas's Professional Geologist renewal. The board requested the Board Administrator try to contact Mr. Islas either by phone or email regarding his renewal fee and that is must be received by the board no later than December 29, 2015. No further action was required.

The board reviewed correspondence from the Louisiana Board of Professional Geoscientists regarding a Statement of Understanding of Reciprocity between the Louisiana Board of Professional Geoscientists and the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists. After review and discussion the board stated their statue does not allow for reciprocity with any other state, it only allows for licensure by comity. The board requested the Board Administrator follow up with a letter to the Louisiana Board with their findings. No further action was required.

The board reviewed correspondence from the Department of Revenue regarding John Dereamer as a delinquent tax payer. After review and discussion the board found Mr. Dereamer's license had already

lapsed due to non-renewal. The board requested the Board Administrator send a letter to the Department of Review with this information. No further action was required.

The board reviewed correspondence regarding ASBOG's examination schedule. The Spring exam for 2016 was listed incorrectly on the Board's website and has since been corrected. No further action is required.

The board reviewed dates for their 2016 Board meetings. A motion was made by Ms. Meyer to schedule the 2016 board meetings for February 1, April 4, June 6, August 1, October 3, and December 5. Motion, seconded by Jerry Weisenfluh, carried.

Mr. Rhodes reported on the 2015 Association of State Boards of Geology Annual Business Meeting. No further action was required.

The board held their annual elections for chair and secretary. A motion was made by Mr. Cumbee for the positions to remain the same, Larry Rhodes as chair and Gil Cumbee as secretary. Motion seconded by Mr. Weisenfluh, carried.

The board briefly discussed their newsletter and agreed to get the Spring newsletter out by the beginning of March. The board further agreed to have articles ready for the newsletter for the Board Administrator at the next scheduled meeting in February. No further action was required.

Donald Lumm, President of the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG) addressed the board with concerns about their website not being updated with the minutes for the last two years. Mr. Lumm also requested a list of licensees for statistics on registered licenses. Mr. Lumm discussed with the board the promotion of continuing education. The board informed Mr. Lumm the minutes would be updated on their website as quickly as possible and agreed to send him a list of licensees. No further action was required.

## LEGAL COUNSEL

Michael Head introduced himself to the board as the new Board Attorney. Mr. Head informed the board he previously worked for several years as a Hearing Officer. The board welcomed Mr. Head to the board as legal counsel.

## APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

The applications committee reviewed five (5) applications for licensure as Professional Geologists for James Kimbrell, Michael Roark, Charles McCracken, Carolyn Faris, and Jonathan Welker and one application for reinstatement for Randall Paylor. The applications made a recommendation to approve all five (5) applications or licensure as Professional Geologists and to defer the reinstatement application for Randall Paylor pending review of his original file. Mr. Cumbee moved to accept those recommendations submitted by the Applications Committee. The motion, seconded by Mr. Weisenfluh, carried.

## **COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE**

#2011-01 – Mr. Head advised the board they should obtain an investigator, assign the case to the investigator, and then review the report in order to make a better decision on the case. The board agreed to hire an investigator and review the matter further at their February meeting. No further action was required.

# TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Mr. Cumbee made a motion to approve the travel and per diem for members attending today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Ms. Meyer, carried.

# **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on February 1, 2016 at the Office of Occupations and Professions.

# **ADJOURN**

Mr. Weisenfluh made a motion to adjourn at 3:08 p.m., having no further items of discussion. The motion, seconded by Stephen Wyatt, carried.

Larry Rhodes, Board Chair

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